MIT/KENDALL SQ./LOWER BROADWAY

Business Area # 2: MIT/Kendall Square/Lower Broadway

Boundaries: bordered by Binney Street, the Charles River, Amesbury Street, and the Conrail Railroad

Major areas of Business/Retail/ Industrial Concentration include: Offices, shops, restaurants in Kendall Square, Cambridge Center, Offices and shops on Broadway between #1 and #200, Tech. Square, M.I.T., and the Hyatt Regency.



Kendall Square

Larcenies from buildings have increased in the Kendall/MIT area from 31 in 2004 to 37 in 2005. A significant amount of incidents occurred within business offices. Thefts of purses, cell phones, laptops, and money most common. • Only two commercial robberies were reported in Kendall Square during the last four months of 2005 which both involved suspects demanding money from convenience stores. • Two out of the four shoplifting incidents occurred at the Coop at MIT. In both incidents, suspects attempted to steal several boxes of chocolate early in 2005 at different occasions. • Six of the 8 commercial breaks here happened in the last six months of 2005. In one incident, suspects entered an Au Bon Pain by prying the brick away from the frame of the lock to the outer door. This location has been targeted before. Professional burglars were also responsible for a break at a constructions site where they cut a heavy chain and stole a pressure washer, stepladder, and welding cable. • Larceny from the person decreased more than half from 2004 to 2005 in this area. Diners at local coffee shops and food courts were the targets of pickpockets on weekday afternoons between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

CRIME	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Larceny from Building	61	52	45	31	37
Larceny from Person	19	14	9	15	6
Commercial Burglary	9	10	10	11	8
Commercial Robbery	5	3	4	3	2
Shoplifting	2	1	3	0	4
Fraud/Flim	21	9	11	40	17
Flam/Counterfeiting					